The mission of Legal Aid of East Tennessee is to strengthen communities and change lives through high quality legal services. Our vision is an East Tennessee where justice is a community value and no one faces a legal problem alone.

BECAUSE OF LEGAL AID OF EAST TENNESSEE
$64,000,000
WAS GENERATED FOR THE LOCAL ECONOMY LAST YEAR ALONE

228 VOLUNTEER LAWYERS worked on 989 PRO BONO CASES

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FAMILY JUSTICE CENTERS
Providing legal help for those in abusive, violent and trafficking situations

ERLANGER HEALTH LAW PARTNERSHIP
Providing legal assistance that improves medical outcomes

TENNESSEE SENIOR LAW ALLIANCE
Providing free legal solutions for qualifying seniors

2018
KNOW US. KNOW OUR WORK.
RESPONSES
Quotes from Client Satisfaction Surveys

“It is the only feeling of safety I have had the past months!”

“My children are much more safe.”

“I felt the weight lifted off my shoulders.”

“Gave my family hope, respect, security through everything.”

“I am forever grateful... peace in my heart!”

“HELPED KEEP MY LITTLE BOY SAFE.”

CASE STUDY

Mrs. Jones

An 85 year old client we call “Mrs. Jones” needed a new car but did not have controllable negotiating with a car dealer. So, she entrusted her daughter’s boyfriend, who we call “John,” with $1,000 in cash so he could go and buy the car for her.

John told Mrs. Jones that the car cost exactly what she gave him. But the search found out that the boyfriend had pocketed over $2,000 of what Mrs. Jones had given him to buy the car. John refused to return the $2,000 to Mrs. Jones, so she came to Legal Aid of East Tennessee.

Staff Attorney Zach Arnold went to John a second time, but John still refused to return Mrs. Jones’ money. Attorney Arnold filed a lawsuit against John and won a judgment for all the money John owed Mrs. Jones.

Out of that, Attorney Arnold helped Mrs. Jones get a judgment lien on John’s real estate to make certain that Mrs. Jones would receive the money the court had awarded her.

FUNDING SOURCES (2019 Data)

Every $1 spent creates $11.21 in local impact.

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